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AS THE TRUTH APPEARS





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I. ANSWERS

It's time to step aside
Now that our love has died

Emotionally and physically
I'm drained to the core
Crouching in my happy place
Cradling my wounds of war

You like to lay the blame with me
Something that comes naturally
I need to find a place to rest
Reasons lost in wilderness

I won't attempt to diagnose
You never held the cure
The poison seeped into the tree
Yet the apple seemed so damn pure

Days roll into weeks and we
We have it sweet in harmony
So intense you make me feel
Emotions strong and so unreal

An Answer
An Answer

Give me an answer
No one wins, and nothing's gained
Why are you leaving me
From all this guilt and all this pain
Give me an answer
Strength was all I needed
Why not believe in me
Believe in me

Give me an answer
No one wins, and nothing's gained
Why are you leaving me
A silent promise truth be named
Give me an answer
You've been burned from one betrayal
Time for you to come clean
I'll show you what I'm made of

Give me an answer
Why are you leaving me
Leaving me
Give me an answer
Why not believe in me
Believe in me

Give me an answer
Why are you leaving me
Why are you leaving me
Give me an answer
Time for you to come clean
So step aside

Days roll into weeks and we
We have it sweet in harmony
So intense you make me feel
Emotions strong and so unreal
Then I lose track of your words
Entangled, selfish and disturbed
Why build a bridge that just falls down
You always find a way

(Lead break)

Give me an answer
Why are you leaving me
Why are you leaving me
Give me an answer
Why not believe in me
Oh believe in me

Give me an answer
Why are you leaving me
Why are you leaving me
Give me an answer
Why not believe in me
Believe in me

Give me an answer
Why are you leaving me
No one wins and nothing's gained
Give me an answer
Time for you to come clean
A silent promise truth be named

Give me an answer

II. VISIONARY

As the sun rises over the land
To trace the sands it warms my hands
I awake as the truth appears
With balance in our hearts
We face the fear

Into the deep we go
The threat of war we know
If we embrace the power of earth, wind
and fire

We'll see how far we go
Put on a perfect show and shine
We can balance on a wire

Another reason to despise what we see
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary
Another reason to deny fantasy
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary

When strangers see each other eye to eye
What we hold close does well inside
Behold a vision of a perfect world
It's buried in the past
To reappear

With our collective minds
United purpose 'cross the land
We can formulate our plan

Another reason to despise what we see
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary
Another reason to deny fantasy
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary

(Lead Break)

With our collective minds
United purpose 'cross the land
We can formulate our plan

Another reason to despise what we see
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary
Another reason to deny fantasy
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary

Into the deep we go
The threat of war we know
We can be wiser
Another reason to deny fantasy
A life less ordinary
Yet we are Visionary

It is the children afraid to fall asleep
Helplessness of unconscious dream
Broken promise of eternal peace
Is who we are make the elders weep
Or am I dreaming

In my mind I never meant to walk away
In my mind I will turn to you and say
In my mind I never meant to lose control
In my mind I will turn to you and say
I will fly forever In my mind

We seek all the answers untold
There's a story behind every lie
Don't speak
All your lies I have heard
Won't reach
My mind I have learned
How to be so far from here

In my mind I never meant to walk away
In my mind I will turn to you and say
I will fly forever

(Lead Break)

In my mind I never meant to walk away
In my mind I will turn to you
In my mind I never meant to walk away
In my mind I will turn to you and say
I will fly forever In my mind
In my mind

III. IN MY MIND

How long will we fear
It's a dangerous time
For the realm of the blind
Will we be so free

How to be so far from here
How to be so far
How to be so far from here
How to be so far

We dwell among the souls of hollow man
Poison our minds with the love of green
Unbalanced power held in greedy hands
Betrayal of life by authority
More than we see

In my mind I never meant to walk away
In my mind I will turn to you and say
In my mind I never meant to lose control
In my mind I will turn to you and say
I will fly forever In my mind

IV. VISION DIVINE

Sometimes I don't understand
The world can come crashing down
Sometimes an ocean seems to rise
Enough to pull me in and take me

Emotions break my inner safe
And toil with anguish and despair
Shattered glass does my heart make
I clear the mess and you are there

Stifled rhythm barren hope
As demons call for my sanity
Hear the echo through my mind
Feel your answer render them blind

Have you become my keeper
Always there with a healing hand
Have you become my keeper
Right before my eyes my Vision Divine

The time of need is always here
Within your wings of shelter hides my fear
I emerge enlightened by your strength
You hold the flame to shine the light and guide the way
You guide the way

Have you become my keeper

Always there with a healing hand
Have you become my keeper
Right before my eyes my Vision Divine
You can render them blind

Emotions break my inner safe
And toil with anguish and despair
Shattered glass does my heart make
I clear the mess and you are there
Stifled rhythm barren hope
As demons call for my sanity

(Lead Break)

Have you become my keeper
Always there with a healing hand
Have you become my keeper
Always there with a healing hand
My Vision Divine
You can render them blind
My Vision Divine

Oh my son, look to your father
You are the heir to Pharaoh's throne
Oh my son, look to your father
Your father has built you this kingdom from stone

His wisdom lies within the lines upon his face
He will embark on a journey to another place
His footsteps you will trace

Look to the light
The gods are calling you tonight
Look in his eyes
Osiris knows the way to your desire
In your hands lies the key to these lands
Close is the day
So fall the sands of time

The afterlife is waiting for you
My King I know this to be true
Your rebirth will mark the light
The Gods will guide you there tonight
We will pray to Ra and the sun will rise
So fall the sands of time

(Lead Break)

Oh Osiris you giver you taker
Oh Osiris you slaver you maker

Look to the light
The gods are calling you tonight
Look in his eyes
Osiris knows the way to your desire
In your hands lies the key to these lands

He will place his hands on your shoulders
He will guide you as you grow older
Close is the day
So fall the sands of time
So fall the sands of time

V. GUIDED BY OSIRIS

I am your Queen your beautiful angel
I solely maintain my faith in you
And as your Queen your beautiful angel
I will bare you a son so pure and true

A son so strong so his back shall never break
A son so sovereign so his hand may never shake
A son so Godly so his blood may never spill
So you may hand him your shoes to fill

Look to the light
The gods are calling you tonight
Look in his eyes
Osiris knows the way to your desire
In your hands lies the key to these lands
Close is the day
So fall the sands of time

VI. ONE LAST CARESS

Now I'm going to take from you
All you took from me
For now I can be sure

How could you leave me in the cold with all that I endured
You swore reform you crossed your heart
And I believed

You broke my heart in two
And left the pieces strewn upon the floor
You stole my breath away
Nothing remains only the emptiness

One Last Caress is all it takes to wash away your pain
One Last Caress to send you on your way
I believed you
I swore you'd make amends
I withheld from you
One Last Caress

Now you return to feed my heart with endless tempting words
You promised ever after
And I surrendered

You stole my breath away
Nothing remains only the emptiness

One Last Caress is all it takes to wash away your pain
One Last Caress to send you on your way
I believed you
I swore you'd make amends
I withheld from you
One Last Caress

(Lead Break)

Withhold my hand, withhold my heart
I will be strong

I believed you
I swore you'd make amends
I withheld from you
One Last Caress is all it takes to wash away your pain
One Last Caress to send you on your way
One Last Caress

VII. GARDEN OF EVIL

All alone in my dark abyss
I realise that light will fade
So when the rain falls
I never thought I'd ever feel the stain

Another day I suffer
In my own hidden world
The shame of which I speak
Is much more than words

In the Garden of Evil
I will take you there
Where you will feel my pain
In the Garden of Evil
I must take you there
Where you will feel my misery

Standing on such sacred earth
I finalise my epitaph
And in the days that follow
I walk towards no return
The path of which I seek
Is much more than words

In the Garden of Evil
I will take you there
Where you will feel my pain
In the Garden of Evil
I must take you there
Where you will feel my misery

I almost pray to the world
For a sign
Of that which I ever seek
I never seem to find

(Lead Break)

In the Garden of Evil
I will take you there
Where you will feel my pain
In the Garden of Evil
I must take you there
Where you will feel my misery
My misery

VIII. ANOTHER BATTLEFIELD

You come take my hand
I'll lead you to
The other side of destiny
Take this bleeding heart
Now that you do
Discover inside what's left of me

Now that you're deep in the dark
Confusion you show
The sorrow you feel
The hate that you show
And in your wildest dreams
Will you ever know

I'll be the night that haunts you
I'll be the one, who makes you burn
It's in the way I feel
And in the sky above you
I'll be the one
Who makes you learn
Another Battlefield

Do you understand
The pain deep in you
Remnants of time you turn from me
Maybe in your wildest dreams
Will you ever know

I'll be the night that haunts you
I'll be the one, who makes you burn
It's in the way I feel
And in the sky above you

I'll be the one
Who makes you learn
Another Battlefield

How you mend your wings
Understand the way I feel
How you now continue on
Is the way you remain

(Lead Break)

So when your mind betrays you
You'll reach the point of no return
You'll know just how I feel
And when the light surrounds you
I'll be the one who now returns
Another Battlefield

And when the light surrounds you
I'll be the one who now returns
Another Battlefield

IX. HOPE ARISING

Do you believe
Hope will arise
Do you believe
Hope will arise
Ending nights of insanity

In a darkened room
When there's nobody there
I await for my cross to bare
In a shallow world
I despise what I see
And I wait for them all to be
Aware

Are we destined to be
In a world without care
I await solidarity
In a heartless world
I despise what I see
And I wait for them all to be
Aware

And hate that we have ever shown
Embrace the pain that we have ever known
And hold the hope rising

Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity
Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity
Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity

Is there anyone out there
To hear me scream
I drown in sorrow
For what's to be
Is there anyone out there
So call to me
Come lift me higher
I'm begging please

And hate that we have ever shown
Embrace the pain
Hold the hope rising

Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity
Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity
Do you believe
Hope will arise ending nights of insanity

X. CIVILISATION

All alone deep inside your mind
There's a pain that is real
So hard to define
Look around it's there for you to see
How I wish you were here with me

Civilisation
The grand design
Is so very old
Way beyond all your reasoning
There you'll find a better day
And a better way

When the road is so long and divides
When you cower in fear
Nowhere to hide
Look around it's there for you to see
How I wish you were here with me

Civilisation
Like winter's breeze
Is so very cold
Way beyond all your conditioning
There you'll find a better day
And a better way

So when your search for inner peace
Becomes much more than you've bargained for
All you long for is release
So in the hope that all is lost
The sky will get so much clearer now
All you need is guidance there

So you shall see
Civilisation
The grand design
Is so old yet alive
Yet it's so very cold
Way beyond all your reasoning
There you'll find
A better day
And a better way

When the road is so long and divides
Look around it's there for you to see

How I wish you were here
How I wish you were here
How I wish you were here
How I wish you were here

Now that we feel our own decay
A little fear in our eyes is all I saw
With no abate from here
How we yearn for more
Never asking why history
Speaks again yet never steers and reappears

To wage in this war
Where time never seeks to wait
For what's in store

There's only one way out of here
Out of this dark blinding sea
Fortune smiles knowingly
There's only one way out of here
Away from the oncoming storm
To come out Unscathed

Beyond the realm of hate and hidden storm
Lies a world that never seems to feel alone

Another day and it's nearly over
A thousand years we have cried yet a
single tear

Another day and the fear is all around
A thousand years we became our own enemy
Way too much to answer for

There's only one way out of here
Out of this dark blinding sea
Fortune smiles knowingly
There's only one way out of here
Away from the oncoming storm

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Out of this dark blinding sea
Fortune smiles knowingly
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Away from the oncoming storm
To come out Unscathed

XI. UNSCATHED

Where are the dreams of yesterday
I don't see it in our eyes anymore
I turn away from here
Standing on this shore
Looking out for life's melody
I search for why no one believes
That the truth is out there so

Into the unknown
Where lies are being kept
Tales we were told before
To wage in this war
Where lives are being spent
Seems way too much to answer for

There's only one way out of here
Out of this dark blinding sea
Fortune smiles knowingly
There's only one way out of here
Away from the oncoming storm
To come out Unscathed

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XII. NOT TODAY

The day is long
And sense unclear
Suppress all needs
Forbidden fear

When drowned in guilt
Though half as sane
This liquid gauze
Won't ease the pain

So Today my inhibitions
They will need no say
I take the road that's never travelled on
Only I will know the way

And let my heart take control
Let my mind follow the soul
Give my melodies for you to play
But I won't unhand my secrets
Not Today

The winds of change
In step they ease
When yesterday
Looms over me

For ecstasy I can't deny
I need to know
How it feels to fly

So Today
My exhibitions I will need no more
I take the road that's never stumbled on
Pull my eyes up off this floor

And let my heart take control
Let my mind follow the soul
Give my melody for you to play
But I won't unhand my silence
Not Today

Let my heart take control
Let my mind follow the soul
Give my melody for you to play
But I won't unhand my mystery
Not Today

I won't unhand my mystery
Not Today

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